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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Hiroyuki OGAWA

Serial No.: TO BE ASSIGNED

July 3, 2001

Divisional of S/N: 09/213,872

Art Unit: 1631

Examiner: M. Moran

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING MICROORGANISMS, AND

QUANTITIES OF MICROORGANISMS

## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 CFR §1.53 (b)

| Assi   | stant Commissioner of                                    |
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|  | New Application.   |
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| _ <b>X</b> _   | Divisional of U.S.P.T.O. Serial Number 09/213,872, filed |
|  | December 17, 1998.                                       |
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The undersigned has been authorized by the Applicant(s),

Hiroyuki OGAWA

FOR: Method and Apparatus for Detecting Microorganisms, and Quantities of Microorganisms

to file the attached specification and required drawings. Please assign a serial number and accord a filing date to this prospective application.

## Enclosed are:

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- 22 pages of Specification,
- \_4 page(s) of Claims,
- 1 page of an Abstract, and
- \_5 sheet(s) of Drawing(s). Total pages in the disclosure are therefore 32
- X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503).
- X Application Data Sheet
- Copy of Oath or Declaration with Power of Attorney from a prior application (37 CFR §1.63(d)
- \_\_\_ Signed Statement deleting inventor(s) named in prior application.
- X Applicant claims Small Entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.
- \_\_\_ Assignment of the Invention and check for \$40.00.
  - A certified copy of Priority Document(s).
- X A Preliminary Amendment.
  - \_\_\_ Letter to the Official Draftsperson and amended drawing(s).
- \_\_\_ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO Form 1449.
- X The basic filing fee of \$355.00.
- The fees for the claims to be calculated as follows:

| #   | Claims<br>Presented              |   | Less<br>Entitlement |     | Additional Fees |      |              |      |
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| Pre |                                  |   |                     |     | Small Entity    |      | Large Entity |      |
| Tot | tal                              | 2 | Minus               | 20  | x \$9=          | 0.00 | x \$18=      | 0.00 |
| Inc | dep.                             | 2 | Minus               | 3   | x \$40=         | 0.00 | x \$80=      | 0.00 |
|     | New Multiple Dependent<br>Claims |   | -0-                 |     | x\$135=         | 0.00 | x\$270=      | 0.00 |
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|     | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE             |   |                     |     | 0.00            |      | 0.00         |      |

- X A check in the total amount of \$355.00 is enclosed to cover filing fee, Recordation of Assignment fee, and excess claims fee.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to my Deposit Account
  No. 19-2816 any fees required under any of 37 CFR §§1.16 to 1.17 at any
  time during the pendency of this application.

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